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FROM: Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services

December 28, 2020

The Honorable Larry Hogan
Governor of Maryland
100 State Circle
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable William C. "Bill" Ferguson IV
President of the Senate
State House, H-107
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Adrienne Jones
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House, H-101
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Report required by Executive Order 01.01.2013.04 I (MSAR #9960)

Dear Governor Hogan, President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones:

In accordance with [Executive Order 01.01.2013.04](#), which established the *Governor's Commission for Effective Community Inclusion of Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities* (Commission) and requires the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services (Office) to submit a report on behalf of the Commission, please accept this letter as fulfillment of the required report.

In response to the death of Ethan Saylor, Executive Order 01.01.2013.04 established the Commission to "address issues concerning statewide policies, guidelines, or best practices; statewide training standards; a comprehensive strategy; and other related matters to improve the lives of all Marylanders, including those with intellectual and developmental disabilities." It also requires the Office to submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House by December 3 of each year, as it relates to the purpose of the Commission. Pursuant to Executive Order 01.01.2013.04 I, the Office submitted an [initial report](#) in January 2014, an [annual report](#) in December 2014, and a [final report](#) in December 2015, as fulfillment of its charge.

Since this time, and while the Commission has not met in nearly five years, the work continues through the Ethan Saylor Alliance for Self-Advocates as Educators (Alliance). Chapters 387 and 388 of 2015 ([Senate Bill 853](#)/[House Bill 1161](#)) established the Alliance in the Department of

Disabilities “to advance the community inclusion of individuals with intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities by preparing and supporting self-advocates to play a central role in educating persons about appropriate and effective interactions with individuals with intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities.” Shortly thereafter, Chapter 520 of 2016 ([House Bill 22](#)), *Ethan Saylor Alliance for Self-Advocates as Educators - Membership and Duties - Community Inclusion Training Oversight*, altered the membership of the Steering Committee of the Alliance, and required the Steering Committee to review, or request that the Alliance review, the content and monitor the implementation of the training objectives and curriculum adopted by the Police Training Commission for a community inclusion training program.

Should you have any questions relating to the information provided in this report, please feel free to contact me at 410-697-9338.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "V. Glenn Fueston, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

V. Glenn Fueston, Jr.
Executive Director

cc: Sarah Albert, Department of Legislative Services (5 copies)